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Applicants : Shinji HAMADA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

Appl. No. : 09/614,769

Examiner: J. Maples

Filed : July 12, 2000

For : BATTERY MODULE, AND RECHARGEABLE BATTERY FOR  
CONSTITUTING THE BATTERY MODULE

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action dated January 23, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on April 23, 2004, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment, and reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Final Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.



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Expedited Procedure Requested  
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in the above-captioned application.

- ☐ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.  
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.  
☐ A Request for Extension of Time.  
☐ No Additional Fee.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims After Amendment	No. Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
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Total Claims: 14	*20	0	x 9=	\$	x 18=	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims: 2	**3	0	x 43=	\$	x 86=	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims Presented			+145=	\$	+290=	\$0.00
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☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, including any required extension of times fees in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission (37 CFR 1.136)(a)(3)

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